Chapter 4: State, Tribe and Federal Land Manager Coordination

§51.302(b)(2) requires that states provide an opportunity for consultation, in person and at least 60 days prior to holding any public hearing on the SIP, with the Federal Land Manager (FLM) on the proposed SIP and any revisions. This consultation must include the opportunity for the affected FLM to discuss the following:

- An assessment of impairment of visibility in any mandatory Class I Federal area, and;
- Recommendations on the development of the long-term strategy.

The FLMs are an integral part of CENRAP's POG and have membership on standing committees. FLMs have contributed to the development of technical and non-technical work as a result of that participation. In addition, opportunities have been provided by CENRAP for FLMs to review and comment on each of the technical documents developed by CENRAP and included in this SIP. Louisiana has provided agency contacts to the FLM as required.

Through the submittal of the proposed SIP on November 20, 2007, Louisiana has complied with the requirements of §51.302(b)(2) by providing the FLMs the 60 day review and comment period prior to the public hearing (January 24, 2008). Further, Louisiana has participated with the FLM on such topics as BART modeling, monitoring and in joint meetings with the VISTAS states whose emission sources may impair visibility at Breton.

Louisiana is committed to continue to coordinate and consult with the FLMs during the development of future progress reports and plan revisions, as well as during the implementation of programs having the potential to contribute to visibility impairment in the mandatory Class I areas.